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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:  
STEEGHS, H. et al.

Serial No.: 09/909,067  
Filing Date: July 19, 2001

Title: AGGLOMERATING PARTICULATE  
MATERIALS

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Preliminary to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please add the following new claims:

32. The method of claim 1, further comprising adding bentonite to the particulate material.

33. The method of claim 32, wherein the amount of bentonite is up to about 0.22%.

34. The method of claim 9, further comprising adding bentonite to the particulate material.

35. The method of claim 34, wherein the amount of bentonite is up to about 0.22%.

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- ☒ Transmitted herewith find the document(s) related to this application:
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  2. **PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT WITH MARKED VERSION;**
  3. **CERTIFICATE OF MAILING; and**
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Respectfully submitted,

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